

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:299
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2003
NATIONAL JUTE MANUFACTURES CORPORATION
V. SAROJA

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether National Jute Manufactures Corporation is on the verge of closure;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of employees working in the Corporation as on date; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for revival of this ailing Corporation and to protect the interests of its employees?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 299 FOR ANSWER ON 08.08.2003

(a) & (b) The National Jute Manufactures Corporation (NJMC) Ltd had been suffering cash losses consistently since its inception in 1980. In view of continuous cash loss and complete erosion of net worth, NJMC was referred to the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) in 1992. The BIFR is yet to give its final decision regarding the NJMC Ltd.

(c) The number of employees working in the Corporation is 15,410 (as on 30.06.2003).

(d) The Govt. is consistently providing financial support for payment of wages, salaries and other statutory dues of the employees of the NJMC Ltd. During the current financial year there is a provision of Rs.112 crores in this regard. The Corporation has offered an attractive VRS package for the willing employees.